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Town Council Close Business For Year '41

This is a record of the proceedings of the council of the Town of Wainwright at its regular meeting on Tuesday last.

The members of council present at this meeting were Mayor Middlemass and Councillors Huntington, Robinson, Cork, Lismore, Alderman and Billing.

The recorded proceedings of council at its regular meeting of December 2nd, 1941, were read and, on motion by Councillor Cork, were adopted and confirmed as written.

A communication was received from the Social Service Department of the City of Vancouver, soliciting financial assistance from the Town of Wainwright in the matter of Mr. Joseph Cameron, who has been confined to the General Hospital in that city for a considerable time, and, on motion by Councillor Huntington, this communication was ordered filed.

Notices were received from the Old Age Pension Office at Edmonton of the application of Mr. Frederick G. Ganderton for Old Age Pension, on motion by Councillor Huntington, the secretary-treasurer was authorized to sign a notice form approving the application.

The report of Dr. Wallace, Medical Officer of Health for the Town of Wainwright for the current year, was presented and read to council and, on motion by Councillor Alderman, the report was ordered filed and a copy furnished to the Health Committee of council. (This report appears in another column—Ed.)

Mr. Clarence A. Sorgen made written offer to purchase Lot 13 in Block 59, Plan 5721 A.D., offering ten dollars therefor and attaching this report to his application and, on motion by Councillor Lismore, his application was received and accepted and the Mayor and secretary-treasurer were authorized and instructed to issue a transfer of the said lot in favor of Mr. Sorgen under the Corporate Seal of the Town of Wainwright.

The Wainwright and District Board of Trade wrote council soliciting a grant of a considerable amount in support of the "Wainwright Days" and, on motion by Councillor Cork, the secretary-treasurer was instructed to reply to the request from the Board of Trade informing that body that the allotment for grants for the current year has already been paid out and that therefore council cannot consider any further grants this year.

The Finance Committee reported, recommending payment of accounts in a total of \$9,814.96 as follows: Wainwright and Dist Board of Trade, grant \$400.00; Postoffice, stamps 6.00; Dept. Mun. Affairs, Social Services Taxes for 1941 627.00; Wainwright Mun. Hospital, Dist. balance 1941 req. 500.00.

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CHRISTMAS MESSAGES FROM THE CHURCHES

WAINWRIGHT UNITED CHURCH

AT THIS time when there are so many things happening that tend to make us give way to hate, let it be ours to cherish and cherish abroad the Christmas message of God's Love.

While Christmas this year will have an unusual element of sadness, even a world-wide catastrophe should not be allowed to overcome all the season's joys. A strange Christmas will be among the war-torn and blood-stained nations. In thousands of homes, stricken with the loss of loved ones, or with loved ones still on the danger lines, Christmas festivals will seem altogether out of place. Among them made destitute by the war there will be little Christmas cheer, except as they carry it to them. But our sympathy for those who suffer, should not rob us altogether of the good cheer that Christmas brings with it, or of the gift-making which characterizes the season.

Let the Christmas chimes sound clear and sweet, and let the carols float in rich and harmonious fulness; but as we listen, and as we sing, let us believe, and let us worship, as did the wise men of old — or our Christmas will be as empty of all real meaning and joy, as the crackling of the burning tapers beneath the star.

Human misery and gloom and sadness are shallow and short-lived. They need the vital element of the life and cheer of God. Because God has come to us in Christ, the Un-speakable Gift, Christmas is glad with the infinite gladness of heaven and the good cheer of God.

Let us keep Christ in our Christmas. Those who leave Christ out of Christmas miss its real meaning and glory. As followers of the Christ it is our high duty and privilege to help the world to see Christ himself in Christmas. The star still shines above the smoking ruins of a war-torn and bleeding world. It shines steady and serene and strong—it radiates peace, and the burning bombs, and burning buildings and sinking ships. We dream and work and pray for the time when the glory of the star shall be resplendent, making a shining pathway to the Father's Kingdom for the feet of all mankind, and in this steadfast hope we greet you this Christmas, 1941.

REV. A. D. RICHARD, R.A.

Frank Palmer did a good job last week end on the re-fueling of the three "practice-flight" planes which landed here on Thursday. The need for that local landing field was again stressed when the fliers had to land in Art Smith's field on their trip from Prince Albert to Calgary.

BLESSED SACRAMENT (R.C.) CHURCH

THE world was in a crisis in the days of Caesar Augustus — The world then searched for Divinity, it asked for Divine Light, it yearned for Divine Truth, it yearned for Divine Life. By instinct people realized that they were potential children of God and created for an Eternal Destiny. The Pagan world had long searched for Divinity. They hoped to acquire it in riches, pomp and power — Through secular civilization — They failed! More than nineteen hundred years ago the very stars of heaven by some magic touch had folded themselves together as silver words and announced the birth of the expected of the nations.

The angels, too, sang out in chorus infinite in significance, "Glory to God in the Highest and Peace to men of good will." God came to earth to live with men, his creature. Religion transcends matter, mind and sense. Religion claims us to the Divine, giving us Divine Light, Eternal Truth and Divine Life. In the present Copist Religion, the Divine, will re-establish order in society and give man his direction toward his destiny — "Peace to men of good will." — On the anniversary of the coming of the Prince of Peace it is my wish and prayer that He will fill your souls with peace — may he soon help the world to have justice and peace.

A Merry Christmas, a Blessed and prosperous New Year to all.

J. P. EHMANN, P.P.

A real happy time was spent by practically every youngster in town on Friday evening last when the three church organizations held their annual Christmas tree parties for the children of their Sunday schools. Of course, Santa got around to all of these gatherings.

"Community Days" Proves Big Success

The committee in charge of Wainwright Community Days which last week proved so very successful, are to be congratulated very highly upon the full attainment of their object, and for the manner in which the whole affair was handled.

For the two days (Tuesday and Wednesday) Wainwright was literally thronged by folks and their progeny from far and near; and indeed at times until a very late hour each night the stores were packed with visitors to town.

The free show at the theatre saw the "B.R.O." sign hung up pretty early, and the show was literally packed to the doors for each of the five performances.

The school children's parade on Wednesday afternoon saw nearly 300 of the youngsters in the public schools of both town and country joining merrily in the fun, and a large number were costumed to compete for the prizes offered. Of course Santa Claus, who headed the parade was a popular old gent, and following the walk he distributed bags of goodies to all the children, before they made their way to the free show at the Elks.

The stores, too, in all their Yuletide festive decorations, proved attractive to the large crowds, and until a very late hour on both evenings, most of them were thronged with both old and young.

Altogether, it was a splendid effort for a "Thank You" from the merchants and others in town to their friends from the countryside, and no doubt those responsible will plan repeats of the affair at many a future date. Again—Congratulations to all concerned!

The prizes for parade costumes were awarded to Miss Ruth May (as Christmas Tree), the pupils of Mac-Cot School, and Miss Eleanor Currie, and the thanks of the committee are extended to all others in costume for their efforts to make this so prize-worthy.

ST. ANDREW'S (PRES.) CHURCH

MID the noise and din of battle it is refreshing to look up and listen to the Heavenly song: "Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth Peace and Good Will toward men."

God made the world beautiful and entrusted it to the care of the human family, and this family has blessed and brightened the whole world. "Mean destroy." To restore and save the world the Lord of Glory came. "To as many as receive Him to them gives He power to become the Sons of God."

Because the Lord of Glory has been and still is despised and rejected of men, all the trouble in the world today.

The cure for the darkness of the world is Jesus, who is the Light of the world. The cure for the life is to come to the Healer who has a balm for every wound. The remedy for war and strife is to accept the Prince of Peace, who came from Heaven to Earth to bring Peace and Good Will to men.

With Greetings and Best Wishes to all for 1942, and thanks to the Proprietor of the Star.

Sincerely,

REV. R. S. STEVENS, D.D.

WILDMERE MAN COMMITS SUICIDE

On Friday last Hanky Martin, a farmer of the Wildmere district, between 7 and 8 o'clock in the morning, committed suicide by shooting himself in the region of his heart with a 12-gauge shot gun.

Cons. S. Root, of the Wainwright detachment R.C.M.P., along with Dr. Knowles the Vermilion coroner investigated the case and it was learned that the victim had been living in a depressed state owing to financial losses, etc. No inquest was considered necessary.

A widow and three children survive the deceased.

REGISTER NOW!

All persons interested in Home Nursing and Military Sanitation training are requested to register AT ONCE with Mrs. F. E. McLeod. These courses are given under the supervision of the St. John Ambulance association. This course is required of all persons desiring to join the V.A.D.

"Merry Christmas To All"

The same old wish — the repetition of which does not deaden the kindly spirit which prompts it; in fact, the wish is intensified by the hazards of these times.

Never was there more need, locally, nationally and internationally, for the spirit of Christmas to be promulgated from every household. So we say to all —

Heartiest Yuletide Greetings

May the burden of the times be lifted during the Festive Season and pave the way for Peace, Prosperity and Happiness to hold sway everywhere.

THE

Wainwright Star

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ST. THOMAS (ANG.)

The Editor of the Star has kindly afforded me the opportunity to send Greetings to all the members of our Church in this town and district and to all the people of this community. I am grateful for such an opportunity.

There is one thought that is uppermost in my mind as I write these words. It is that we put the Christ into Christmas. The word Christmas is made up of two words, Christ and mass; the latter word meaning feast. A feast at Christmas-time has become traditional.

It is essentially a family festival and there is a warmth in the picture of the family gathered round the family table. So strong is this tradition of the Christmas feast that many organizations take it upon themselves to see that every family is provided with the necessary things for the feast. But Christmas is more than such a feast. It is the feast of Christ. It is the celebration of the Birth of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who came into our world and into our life to bring us life abundant and eternal.

How can we put the Christ into Christmas? Here are some suggestions. Read the Christmas story in the pages of the New Testament. If there are children in the home tell them the story of Christ's Birth, of the Angels, of the Shepherds of Mary and the Babe, of the Stable and the manger. Children love the story, and we are all children at Christmas-time.

Then there is the joy of Christmas worship. We gather as a family around the Holy Table to enter into the Holy Feast that makes the Christmas dinner glow with meaning.

Many children will be separated this year because of the tragedy of war, but the inner meaning of Christmas breaks down the miles that separate us and binds us together with eternal bonds.

We wish you all a Christmas full of joy that the present circumstances cannot destroy, and pray that the New Year may bring the victory of joy over sorrow.

Sincerely,

REV. L. M. WATTS

Gilt Edge M.D. Council Arrange for Ann. Meet

The Council of the M.D. of Gilt Edge No. 422 met in regular session on Tuesday, December 9th, with Councillors Mills, Withnell, Knott, Taylor, Arthur and Sutherland present.

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PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLY

GREETINGS, Citizens of Wainwright and Community! First, I should like to say "thank you to the Editor of the Wainwright Star, for space, in which I might, on behalf of the Assembly, convey Season's Greetings."

In 1941 it seems that no greater message can be flashed across the world, than that given to Isaiah, the Prophet, some seven hundred years before the birth of the Christ Child; and also recorded in Matthew's Gospel in the message to Joseph: "Behold, a virgin shall bring forth a son, and they shall call His name, Immanuel, which being interpreted, is 'God with us.'"

God with us—no longer revealed through types, shadows and ceremonies, dwelling between the Cherubim. But God revealed or manifested to us in His Own Son. The word of God is becoming flesh and dwelling among us. The plan of God for man's reconciliation put into effect. The Incarnation a reality.

What a grand setting for established peace. Peace between God and man. Two natures brought together in one—a dual man—a referee, a mediator—who could say hold on both.

True, it is a mystery, but in such we behold great Mercy.

By light of nature we see God above us.

By light of law we see God against us.

By light of Gospel we see God with us.

The story has been told of two Christian prisoners in a cold Siberian concentration camp. They were forbidden to talk together about things of God. Christmas day came and there burned in one's heart the desire to communicate the glad story of the Christ to the other, so getting the attention of his comrade, he picked up some straw which formed part of his crude bed, and with it he formed on the rough bench the letters EMMANUEL—God with us.

What cheer it brought to that damp, dreary prison cell to feel these lovely words burn into their hearts.

Today, in a world bathed in gloom and night, a world in which the gods of war have away, how grand, how wonderful to again hear the message that "His Name shall be called Immanuel—God with us."

To the Empire; the Dominion; To Democracy, and to all I leave this Christmas greeting — Emmanuel—God is with us.

REV. W. F. ROURKE.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Mills came in from the coast last week end. Garth has left for a camp in the south, while Mrs. Mills will be staying till after the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Robinson.

Not In Favor Of an Enlarged Municipal Unit

On Wednesday last a meeting was held in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall for the purpose of discussing the proposed large municipal unit for this area.

Those attending included Mr. A. Souter, deputy minister of municipal affairs, Mr. Joe Renshaw, chief municipal inspector, Mr. T. A. Potts, municipal inspector, Mr. O'Brien, secretary to the department of education. Each of the Councils and secretary-treasurers affected by the proposed set-up were also in hand.

A map prepared by the government shows that it is the intention to amalgamate the following Municipal Districts, Vale No. 393, Ribstone No. 421, Gilt Edge No. 422, Battle River No. 423, that part of Merton No. 431 lying south of the Battle River and that part of Grizzly Bear No. 462 lying south of the Battle River. In the course of his remarks, Mr. Souter informed the meeting that his Department has been instructed to gather together certain data in an effort to establish whether or not a large municipal unit would be feasible for this area. This had been done and the area as outlined had been proposed. He explained further that the boundaries as suggested by the Department were subject to revision if it could be shown by this meeting that such revision would work out more advantageously.

Mr. Renshaw took up the financial side of the question and compared the Districts separately and as a unit on the basis of the 1940 expenditures and collections. He also pointed out that it would be hard to go anywhere else in the province and pick out four contiguous districts that would compare so favorably financially as did the four concerned in this proposed large unit.

Mr. Potts explained how the Department had arrived at the proposed electoral boundaries. Three main factors entered into this: area, assessment and population. Giving figures for each proposed division, he stated they were as nearly equal as possible in taking these factors into consideration.

A question and answer period followed each speaker, and before the meeting adjourned a resolution was adopted requesting the Government to suspend the setting up of this area for the duration of the war and until the ratepayers had had a chance to express their views in the form of a vote.

ARMOUR-HALDENBY

Last week at the United church parsonage, the pastor, Rev. A. D. Richard, performed the marriage ceremony between Mr. Thomas Armour and Miss Mildred Mary Haldenby, both the contracting parties being from Chauvin. Following a short honeymoon, the happy couple will return to the groom's farm near Chauvin.

Municipal District of Gilt Edge

No. 422

IN BEHALF OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, I WISH TO EXPRESS TO ALL OUR RATEPAYERS OUR

HARTIEST WISHES FOR A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A

Happy and Prosperous New Year

We wish further to convey to you our appreciation for the co-operation which you have given us, tacitly shown by the manner in which you have paid taxes during a year of almost complete crop failure.

By Order,

J. H. MILLS, Reeve.

31.12

Christmas 1941-42

J. G. Middlemass, Mayor.

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WISHING ALL OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS
HEARTIEST OF SEASON'S GREETINGS

DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE "EATS" FOR
CHRISTMAS-TIDE

ARRANGE TO ENJOY YOURSELF WITH OUR
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS DINNER
EVERYTHING FROM "SOUP TO NUTS" AND ALL OF THE
HIGHEST QUALITY AT POPULAR PRICES

YOU WILL TRULY ENJOY YOUR HOLIDAY FARE IF YOU

EAT AT THE

Buffalo Cafe

MAIN STREET PHILIP PON, Prop. WAINWRIGHT

Right Heartily We Wish You

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Lots of friends to give you greeting and
a year filled with blessings

THE EMPRESS CAFE

Quan Hall — Proprietor
CORNER OF FIRST AVE. & MAIN ST.

May we take this opportunity of expressing our best wishes for a
JOYFUL CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
to all our friends and customers
If we have been able to serve you well in the past, we are grateful;
and now we hope that in the months and years to come we may
enjoy that privilege again

Hannah's Hardware

MAIN STREET WAINWRIGHT ALBERTA

Once again we extend our sincere thanks and
good wishes to all our friends and patrons...

MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE AN
EXTREMELY HAPPY ONE

Gold Standard Oils Limited

HEARTIEST SEASON'S GREETINGS

The best we can wish for is that, until we wish
again, we remain as good friends as
we have in the past

Capitol Barber Shop

MAIN STREET WAINWRIGHT ALBERTA

May joy, goodwill and peace prevail in your
hearts and your homes this season of
Christmas and continue on through
the New Year

W. S. Clark

The Christmas Mail Goes Through...

As a mail carrier of the "old school," Father was practically an institution in the high plain country of Western Dakota, where for many years he served some two-score patrons in a wide range of capacities—mailing ribbon samples, buying groceries, marketing cream and eggs, delivering freight and dispatching telegrams.

Friendly arguments were left in abeyance for the "mailman" to settle and occasional neighborhood feuds were deposited at his feet for judgment. As he proceeded homeward he found time to help the erring, cheer the heavy-hearted and disseminate the important news of the day as gleaned from the Denver Post while eating a noon sandwich in town.

In addition to emulating a combined credit rider, and purchasing agent, Father delivered the mail three times weekly over a thirty-two mile route, for which Uncle Sam paid him the magnificent sum of \$48 per month. To Father, however, any salary was of secondary importance. The really important issue was for the mail to go through. Neither blizzards nor floods must stand in the way of its delivery.

We owned one of the first automobiles in the country and whenever possible, throughout the winter, Father used it for carrying the mail. At that time the roads were little more than winding trails across the prairie. When midwinter storms drifted snow deep across the roadway, he carried a shovel with which to dig passage through the drifts, or if worse came to worst, would untangle and lower the fence wires, drive the car out over the frozen prairie, and pursue a circuitous course around the drifts, sometimes making a mile or more before again making his way back to the public road.

As Christmas neared, each settler's mail included anticipated gifts from relatives afar; boxes of nuts and candy, toys for children, warm clothing for their elders and bright garlands and bells to gladden lonely windows. Knowing full well that the homesteader's children coveted his arrival eagerly, Father was especially insistent that the Christmas mail go through, regardless of weather or circumstance.

One December the snow was particularly heavy, and by mid-month the car could no longer be used. The next three trips were made by horse and buggy, after which the ever-deepening drifts rendered even this means of transportation impossible. The week before Christmas opened with a renewed onslaught of the blizzard. Although travel under such conditions was virtually unheard of, it was with greatest reluctance that Father omitted both Tuesday's and Thursday's trips. After supper, Friday night, he said, "I'm going to ride Mike to town for the mail tomorrow."

The thermometer was far below zero and it was barely dawn when he started across the white expanse of snow which spread, in an unbroken sea over roads and fields and fences alike. Many of the drifts were ten and fifteen feet deep. Into these the great, stout-hearted stallion would plunge, trampling the crusted snow underfoot, floundering over it and on out the other side. Ofttimes Father walked, both to rest the horse and to warm his own chilled limbs.

If the trip to town had been a struggle, an even more strenuous task faced them on the return journey, for there were five huge sacks of mail to be carried. One was slung on either side of the saddle, behind, one lashed across the cante and the others tied in front of the saddle. It was afternoon when horse and rider left town.

At each isolated "claim shanty" father's approach would set up a wild clamor as smiles replaced disconsolate frowns and excited children eagerly relieved him of their gaily wrapped goodies. Mile by mile, Father and Mike were bringing Christmas to the prairie.

At our home the short December day drove to a sombre close. Mother and I did the night chores, feeding the cattle and horses and giving them clean dry bedding. She prepared a good supper and carried in a large boxful of wood that we might have a rousing fire when Father returned. Darkness fell. We lighted the kerosene lantern and hung it on the porch, hoping its all-too-feeble glow might help guide the wanderer home.

CHRISTMAS DAY

IT IS NOT definitely known when Christmas was first celebrated. The institution of the festival is attributed to Telephorus, who flourished in the reign of Antiochus Pius (131-101 A.D.). The reason for the final choice of December 25 cannot now be determined. As Christianity spread, the feast of the winter solstice, the time when the day begins to increase and light to triumph over darkness, was changed into the Feast of Christ, the Light of Life.

The cool wind was springing up and snow started whirling fitfully across the open range.

Zip, the colts, whining uneasily, took up a position on the deep slope where she sat, starting at the hill to the east, down which wound the trail from town. After sitting there an hour, vigilant as any sentry, she suddenly cocked her ears forward and listened intently. Then, with a short, excited bark, she was gone into the swirling, snow-filled void.

We knew her keen ears had sensed the approach of Father and Mike, but another full hour passed before they entered the yard, weary and spent.

After supper we sat around the crackling red-hot heater, warm and contented, while Father related the events of the day. On the centre table lay a great pile of Christmas gifts but we would not open them until morning, for tonight the greatest gift of all was our pleasure in having Father safely home with us.

It was Christmas Eve and once again the mail had gone through.

KEEP CANDLES FROM DRIPPING

To keep table candles from dripping, stick a pin in the candle alongside the wick and leave it there. It keeps the wick upright, the candle burns longer and more steadily and decorations and tablecloth are kept free from grease.

The inevitability of hot mince pie on the Christmas board explains why it is well for the national digestion that there is only one Christmas dinner a year.



Drawn from the Oldest and largest stocks of matured whiskies in Canada.

See E. Seagram & Sons Ltd., Waterloo, Ont. Distillers of Fine Whiskies Since 1857

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An International Daily Newspaper
is Truthful—Constructive—Unbiased—Free from Sensationalism—Editorials Are Timely and Instructive and its Daily Features, Together with the Weekly Magazine Section, Make the Monitor an Ideal Newspaper for the Home.

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Your Home-Town NEWSPAPER

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OR WASTE PAPER BASKET.

BEFORE IT WAS

THOROUGHLY READ

?

But gutters and waste baskets are filled every day with un-opened, unread expensive direct advertising sale ammunition shot into the air, and cheap publications promoted by fly-by-night artists.

A newspaper commands an audience with prospective customers, especially your home paper. It is never thrown aside without first being read from "kiver to kiver." You never see it littering front yards, or the streets, annoying the house-keeper.

That is why intelligent, attractive newspaper advertising is known to be the most effective form of advertising for your business.

An advertisement in The Wainwright Star will reach the buyers in the local trade territory and will be read by thousands of people.

READERS MAKE A HABIT OF READING
THE ADVERTISEMENTS EACH WEEK
IN THE

Wainwright Star

Invite Customers to your Store and tell them of the merchandise you have to offer through the advertising columns of

THE WAINWRIGHT STAR

"Why not support a Co-Operative that is owned by your neighbors, whose one purpose is to get every cent possible for you in return for your livestock. Visit our local shipping agent in your town and sign an application for membership."

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Federative Co-Operative Services Ltd.
24-12
EDMONTON ALTA.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
to Everybody

Alma Meat Market

MAIN STREET

WAINWRIGHT ALBERTA

GOOD HEALTH, GOOD LUCK, GOOD
CHEER — MAY THESE BE YOURS
THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR

O.K. SHOE REPAIR

MAH KEE PROP.

MAIN STREET

WAINWRIGHT ALBERTA

Best Wishes are extended for
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

F. N. Fahner

May Fortune smile upon You through Your
Remaining Years —
This is the Christmas Wish of

Hero Cafe

MAIN STREET

WAINWRIGHT ALBERTA

HOTEL YORK
CALGARY
CENTRE ST. 7th & 8th
ALSO OPERATING
HOTEL ST. REGIS
RATES FROM \$1.35 — WEEKLY AND MONTHLY RATES

REDUCED FARES
MAKE
Winter Time
YOUR TRAVEL TIME
PACIFIC COAST EASTERN CANADA

Enjoy Canada's mildest winter climate in the Evergreen Playground. Beauty, health, outdoor sport, escape from the rigors of a Prairie winter — all these are within your reach when you take advantage of low rail fares on sale daily — and there is a wide choice of return limit.

The east offers many attractions for the winter vacationist — a chance to visit the old home — winter sports — cosmopolitan cities — in fact all most anything you desire. Low fares on sale from December 1 to January 5, with three months limit, are an added attraction.

Appetizing meals at moderate cost in the Dining Car, also tasty tray lunches served at your seat in Day Coaches and Tourist Sleepers.

Information from Nearest Agent

W-1-12

CANADIAN NATIONAL

The Jolly Old Lamp-Lighter by A. B. CHAPIN



World of Wheat

H. G. L. Strange,
Director, Research Department,
Searle Grain Company, Ltd.

During the Napoleonic Wars British farmers enjoyed high prices for their products and made quite a lot of money. The records reveal that in general farmers spent this money in expending their holdings, in erecting more elaborate buildings and in living at a higher standard; many farmers even went into debt. The Scottish farmers, however, so the records tell us, spent their extra profits first in paying off their debts, then in draining and manuring their land and particularly in improving the quality of their stocks and herds.

After the war a severe depression occurred. Large numbers of farmers appealed to Parliament for help, but the Scottish farmers asked for no help; instead they continued to make money during the depression by selling to their fellow British farmers high quality breeding stock; stock which they had quietly been building up during the course of the war.

We are informed that much livestock in Europe has already been slaughtered for food; and that some of the best herds have been dispersed. There will no doubt, therefore, be a high demand from Europe for breeding stock after this present war is over. Canadian livestock farmers

might now well consider what the Scottish farmers did during the Napoleonic wars, and how they weathered successfully the subsequent depression.

Following factors have tended to raise price:—Entomologists report increased infestation of weavils and mites in U.S. and Canadian stored grain, respectively—Preliminary estimates of the 1941-42 U.S. winter wheat crop indicate a reduction of 120 million bushels from 1940-41—Grain prices at Chicago soared to maximum levels on Monday, December 8th, owing to the declaration of war on Japan.

Following factors have tended to lower price:—Japanese entry into the war has disrupted all wheat and flour shipments to the Orient—Wheat and linseed yields in Argentina are above expectations—U.S. corn supplies are now estimated at 3,307 million bushels, the highest since 1921, and exports are below normal.

RECIPE FOR MERRY CHRISTMAS

Are you seeking a formula which will insure you a Merry Christmas? It's really too easy: Just have a child or two around the table and human nature will do the rest.

Boy—"Mamma!"
Tired Mother—"Well?"
Boy—"When Santa Claus was a little boy, who filled his stocking?"

Again we thank our many Customers in
Wainwright and District for Patronage
during 1941 and wish you
one and all

THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON

A. C. Armstrong

DEPT. STORE

WAINWRIGHT ALBERTA

May your Christmas be
inspired with the thought
that, despite every setback,
Civilization ever
marches forward to new
heights of attainment--

CALGARY POWER CO. LTD.
Serving Alberta
... LOCAL MANAGER ...
L. Baxter

MINCE PIES PROHIBITED
IN DAYS OF THE PURITANS

The mince pie has had many enemies.

The Puritans would have none of it, and even in the Eighteenth Century it was a forbidden delicacy to a large number of clergymen. During the Commonwealth, the holding of Christmas festivals was forbidden.

In 1644 parliament passed an act ordering all citizens to observe Christmas day as a solemn fast, to be spent in silent atonement for previous riotous living and merry making. This order remained in force for 12 years.

The authorities in several towns tried to reduce Christmas day to the level of other days. In Canterbury, by order of the Mayor, it was proclaimed that "Christmas day and all other superstitious festivals should be put down."

People who attended service in the cathedral were mobbed. The inhabitants formed themselves into two parties, and, feeling in the matter frequently resulted in the exchange of blows.

In 1652 it was proclaimed that no observation shall be had of the five and twentieth day of December, commonly called Christmas day, nor any solemnity used or exercised in churches.

This order was enforced by soldiers and ovens and larders were searched, and where seasonable dainties or decorations were found they were carried off and destroyed. A changed attitude toward the Puritan dislike of Christmas festivities came with the restoration of King Charles.

ANCIENTS GAVE PRESENTS
AS MOST PEOPLE DO NOW

The custom of making presents at Christmas is derived from very ancient usage. It was a Teutonic invention. In Latin countries gifts were exchanged at New Year's, writes James Waldo Fawcett in the Washington (D.C.) Evening Star.

The decoration of churches with mistletoe and holly is likewise a pagan survival.

Naivety plays and pageants trace back to the pre-Christian era. The sports of the Lords of Misrule in England are supposed to be an inheritance from the Saturnalia of heathen Rome.

Carol singing by waifs, strolling street musicians, is an old British custom.

The first Christmas cards date from about 1840.

The setting up in Latin churches of a Christmas croche is said to have been originated by St. Francis.

UNDER THE MISTLETOE

Marion—"Jack is getting near-sighted."

Myrtle—"It doesn't follow that there is anything the matter with his eyes because he can't see you under the mistletoe."

WHAT MAKES DOBBS SO ANGRY?

"H gave Christmas cards instead of presents to all of his friends."

"Well?"

"They did the same to him."

Sincere Greetings
and all
Good Wishes for Christmas
and a
Bright and Prosperous New Year

LOFGREN BROS.

I.H.C. AGENCY

WAINWRIGHT ALBERTA

Heartiest Wishes for Your Health and
Happiness throughout
The Christmas Season
and the New Year

MANAGER AND STAFF OF

The Government of the Province of Alberta
Provincial Treasury Branch

HEARTIEST GREETINGS...

Heartiest Season's Greetings to all
our Patrons and Friends

Women's Wear

MRS. M. PETERSON

MAIN STREET

WAINWRIGHT ALBERTA

ROYAL GEORGE HOTEL
Reserved Parking Lot for Guests at Rear of Hotel

Your Alberta Pacific Elevator Agent
wishes you a
MERRY CHRISTMAS
GOOD HEALTH AND BETTER TIMES
in the
NEW YEAR

Extending to You the Kindest
of
SINCERE GREETINGS
With Many Hearty Good Wishes
For Christmas and the New Year

Wainwright Gas Company

HEARTIEST GREETINGS

and Sincere Good Wishes
for Christmas and the Coming Year
to all

Sunburst Motor Coaches Ltd.

COURTESY

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ECONOMY

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WAINWRIGHT, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24th, 1941

THE GLEAM OF THE STAR

The best holiday of all the year
has again come round, and every-
thing else halts or steps aside to
give it right of way. This busy
world, modernized as it is and wor-
ried as it is, enjoys its Christmas
still, and the reason is not only that
it shows more clearly and brightly
the gleam of the goodwill star.

Never has there been so good a
light, or any other kind, and never
has it been more welcome or more
meaningful than now.

We have devised various ways of
observing Christmas and have draw-
ed it up with trappings of one kind
and another, but the spiritual signifi-
cance still remains its greatest and
best. To have a general time of pre-
sent giving and exchanging of re-
membrances would of itself be a fine
and worthy thing; but that is only
one of the minor blessings that
have come in with the gleam of the
star.

Heretofore the advent of a better
principle in the world and a purer
spirit in the hearts of men, the star
has been shining through all the
years as it shone first, over the
Christ-manger. It has been dimmed
at times when its light has seemed
to fade and wane, but that has been
because there have been mists and
storm clouds in the way; the star
itself has never ceased to shine.

It has been the gleam of the star
that has held men to their courses,
drawn them on to go where they
not otherwise would have reached,
and guided them out of many horrors
and dangers into their desired haven.
It has always been a beacon-light of
hope, and men seeing it, however
dimly, have dared great things that
peace and goodwill and well-being of
the world might be brought about.
Without it the trail would have been
unlighted and uncharted.

There are yet many dark ways
upon which the gleam of the star
has not seemed to shine. Many dan-
gers still lie ahead, and many wrongs
between man and man still un-
righted, but the light that has never
ceased to shine for nineteen hundred
years and more will in due time guide
through these dark places also. It
is even now impelling men here and
there, in every land, whose place and
privilege it is to show it to others.

This then, is the significance
of Christmas. The ever shining star
of hope and goodwill that hurls men
on to better doing and larger living
and brings them to the place where they
will worship the best rather than the
worst is its age-long sign, its present

THE REAL SANTA CLAUS

THIS CHRISTMAS SPIRIT is
the real Santa Claus—a spirit
that is universal—that grows
stronger with the years—that
brings out the best in us—a
spirit that is made up of kindly
thought and deeds of hallowed
memories and of "Good Will" to
all.

and its future beacon-light. As men
follow it, the spirit of the Christ-life,
whose advent into the world is about
to be commemorated, will gain new
power and influence among them.

ABOUT OLD SANTA CLAUS, CHILDREN'S PATRON SAINT

The dictionary merely tells us
that Santa Claus is a contraction of
Saint Nicholas (St. Nicholas, Saint).
A turning of the pages reveals that
Nicholas was Bishop of Myra or
Smyrna in Asia Minor about 300
A.D. He was the patron saint of old
Russia and was believed to offer spe-
cial protection and comfort to sea-
faring men, sailors, virgins and chil-
dren. His affection for children was
based on the assertion that he
brought back to life three schoolboys
who had been murdered. An encyclo-
pedia attributes the name by which
he is known in America to the early
Dutch settlers who called him San-
ta Claus.

But a little matters whether he
be known as Saint Nicholas, Santa
Claus, Kris Kringle, or a dozen other
names, for the presence of his spirit
on this climax holiday of the year
is the important thing. It enters
every home in the four corners of
Christendom and touches the hearts
of all the men and women in them.
Moreover, it is essentially the spirit
of childhood, the freshness, the
courage and the eagerness of young
life. Saint Nicholas may seem odd
but he has none of the fears, regret
or prejudice of age. He and his
children stand on the threshold of
the world. Their banner is good will
and their goal is peace.

So this day, dedicated to the mem-
ory of the birth of a child, belongs to
all children. It is their cards, their
laughter, their happiness which
makes it sweet. And we older folk
should on this day at least share
their kindness, their tolerance, their
purity and their Saint Nicholas.

We unconsciously betray our true
elves when we select Christmas
cards. People who live in city apart-
ments are apt to send drawings of
farmhouses that nestle cozily among
hill trees; a lawyer's holiday card
is likely to be sugary with sentiment.

CONTINUATION OF TOWN COUNCIL

(Continued from page 1)

A. Hudson, hauling gravel	34.92
J. Noble, hauling gravel	34.92
E. Savage, hauling gravel	37.94
R. Hudger, hauling gravel	30.15
G. S. Valieu, hauling gravel	20.95
F. E. Gidding, hauling gravel	21.82
L. B. Rogers, hauling gravel	17.46
J. A. Moseley, hauling gravel	26.19
J. A. Hobbs, hauling gravel	35.56
J. Davidson, hauling gravel	27.50
H. J. Edwards, hauling gravel	20.95
N. H. Miles, hauling gravel	21.82
J. McConnell, hauling gravel	13.09
Wainwright Gas Co., acct.	40.13
Prov. Treas. Old Age and	
Ret. Pension	
Registrar, L.T.O. registering	420.40
Titles and discharge caveats	27.00
Bank of Montreal, debenture	
payment	1220.59
F. Sheffield, scavenging	135.00
Mrs. Christensen, caretaking	22.56
M. Renville, salary etc.	116.00
N. S. Kenny, salary etc.	141.90
Dr. H. C. Wallace, M.H.O.	100.00
Bert Laird, bldg. inspector	25.00
Earl L. Cork, supervision	
of block, 1941	25.00
Prov. Treas. Mothers' All.	45.00
Wainwright S.D., balance	
1941 requisition	1000.00
Wainwright R.C. Sep. School	

Dist., bal. 1941 requisition	720.00
ANA. Govt. Tels. acct.	31.00
C. W. Stafford, insurance prem.	44.01
M. G. Curdell, insurance prem.	76.40
J. A. MacKinnon, insur. prem.	52.80
Carl Howe, labor	1.50
E. Mink, labor	2.50
Joe Wright, labor in report	5.15
Joe Davidson, labor	45.00
Fred Atwell, labor	13.00
William Tansley, labor	20.00
Reynold's Garage, acct.	9.30
S. R. Bowman, acct.	18.40
O. H. Hannah, acct.	7.50
Edgar, Dairy, account	1.50
Cowley's Bakery, account	2.08
Billing's Bakery, account	5.44
Wainwright Pharmacy, acct.	2.15
F. E. McLeod & Co., acct.	7.95
C.N.R., cinders	12.50
Wainwright Star, account	16.00
Atlas Lumber Co. Ltd., acct.	31.00
W. E. Washburn, acct.	27.53

On motion by Councillor Hunting-
ford, the report of the Finance Com-
mittee was received and accepted
and the Mayor and secretary-treas-
urer were authorized and instructed
to issue cheques in payments of all
accounts included in the report.

The Property and Assessment Com-
mittee, in presenting the rink sched-
ule for the season just commencing,
presented the following report, viz.:
That the skating rink is now in
readiness and awaits favorable weath-
er; also that we put before the
Wainwright and District Board of
Trade the skating rink schedule as
instructed. A committee was ap-
pointed by the Board to meet with
your committee and the attached re-
vised schedule is the result.

This schedule has been placed in
each dressing room at the rink, and
has been advertised in one issue of
the "Wainwright Star".

Mr. Joe Wright has been appoint-
ed as manager of the skating rink
for the season of 1941-42 at a salary
of \$60 per month as from December
1st, 1941.

On motion by Councillor Last-
more, the report of the Property and
Assessment Committee was received
and accepted and the rink schedule
approved.

On motion by Councillor Lastmore,
the secretary-treasurer was author-
ized to sign, on behalf of the Town
of Wainwright, applications for gas
and light at the rink site.

On motion by Councillor Billing,
council granted its assent to the in-
troduction of a by-law concerning
the sale of Lot 16 in Block 51, Plan
5721 A.D.

By-Law Number 277 "was then
introduced and was given its first
and second readings on motions by
Councillors Lastmore and Robinson,
respectively.

On motion, Council was regularly
adjourned.

ANNUAL REPORT OF M.H.O. FOR WAINWRIGHT

Following is the annual report of
Dr. H. C. Wallace, M.H.O. for town,
as referred to in the report of Coun-
cil in this issue.

The Mayor and Council,
Town of Wainwright,
Health Officer's Report for 1941:

GENERAL HEALTH OF THE TOWN—
Good.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES—As a
precautionary measure the provincial
health department delayed the open-
ing of schools after the mid-summer
holidays owing to the prevalence of
infantile paralysis and encephalo-
myelitis in the west. At the present
time there is an epidemic of
mumps in town. Many parents are
not complying with the provincial
health regulation which makes it
compulsory for all cases of contagious
disease (or suspected cases) to be re-
ported by the parents or guardians.
It is also the duty of the teachers to
report such cases. In the present
epidemic, the principal of the public
school has complied with this regula-
tion. Diptheria and smallpox im-
munization, which was started a few
years ago in our schools has not
been dropped up.

SANITATION—Homes: The dis-
posal of kitchen refuse is still a
problem. All burnable refuse should
be burned; unburnable refuse should
be stored in non-leaking and fly-proof
containers to be collected by the scav-
enger. Most residents are comply-
ing with this regulation, but there
are still some who dump such refuse
in the lanes where, during the hot
summer weather, it soon becomes a
rotten-smelling mass, infested with
flies and maggots. This is a menace
to the health of the whole neigh-
borhood.

Hotels and Restaurants: The same
applies to these; the receptacles for
the kitchen refuse should be fly-
proof and non-leaking. During the
hot weather of the past summer, re-
ceptacles in use were not satisfactory
and these were improved.

Butcher shops, bakeries and
stores: All satisfactory.
HOSPITAL: Need is felt for loca-
tion building for contagious cases.
Kitchen refuse disposal is unsatis-
factory.

SCAVENGING—Lanes kept fairly
clean. During the hot weather, pri-
vate refuse containers should be em-
ptied more often. Hotel, restaurant
and hospital containers should be
emptied at least twice or three times
weekly.



"Well—McGinnis—how do you account for this?"

MILK SUPPLY—Milk and cream
supplied by licensed dairies. Build-
ings, herds, milk and delivery up
to standard. During the year the Alex-
ander Dairy went out of business,
The Bear and McCrystal Dairies have
taken over all customers. They are
unable to supply all milk and cream

required from their own herds; this
is not a satisfactory arrangement,
but is only temporary.

H. C. WALLACE, M.D.,
Medical Health Officer.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

IN THE ESTATE OF Thomas
Smith, late of the Settlement of
Wainwright, in the Province of
Alberta, Farmer, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
all persons having claims upon the
Estate of the above named Thomas
Smith, who died on the Eighth day
of September, A.D. 1941, are requir-
ed to file with J. M. Thom, Esq., Pub-
lic Administrator for the Judicial
District of Edmonton, Court House,
Edmonton, Alberta, by the 31st day
of January, A.D. 1942, a full state-
ment, duly verified, of their claims
and of any securities held by them,
and that after that date the Admin-
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the deceased among the parties en-
titled thereto, having regard only to
the claims of which notice has been
so filed, or which have been brought
to his knowledge.

Dated this 17th day of December,
A.D. 1941.

J. M. THOM,
Public Administrator
By his Solicitor herein:
J. A. MACKENZIE,
Wainwright, Alberta.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

IN THE ESTATE OF John Zajac,
late of the Settlement of Hope,
Valley in the Province of Alber-
ta, Farmer, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
all persons having claims upon the
Estate of the above named John Zajac,
who died on the Thirteenth day
of September, A.D. 1941, are requir-
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GREETINGS

MERRY
CHRISTMAS
Your Wish for
1942
Is Our Wish
for You

Wainwright
Motors
F. G. CONROY
prop.

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CHRISTMAS WISHES...



To the people of Wain-
wright, we extend the
Season's
Compliments
and our wish for
Happiness in
1942

EARL L. CORK

JEWELLER & OPTOMETRIST MAIN STREET

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Extending to our customers and
friends Best Holiday Greetings
and many thanks for your busi-
ness during the past year.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

WAINWRIGHT STUDIO AND GIFT SHOP

W. CARSELL MAIN STREET

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May Your New Year be Brighter
and this Christmas a Cheery one
The best we can wish for is that, until we
wish again, we remain as good friends
as we have in the past...

Cowley's Bakery

VIC. COWLEY & SON

PHONE 18



THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

With Genuine Appreciation of Your Kind Patronage
during the year just closing, we extend to you our Hearty
Thanks, and Best Wishes to One and All, for

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a Happy and Prosperous New Year

F. E. McLEOD & CO.

PHONE 14 FURNITURE — UNDERTAKING Wainwright

Service Meat Market

AT THIS FESTIVE SEASON—

our thoughts revert gratefully to our customers, whose goodwill, loyalty and patronage
have made possible our progress and prosperity during the past year...

We wish you all
A HAPPY CHRISTMAS

E. Schumacker

Service Meat Market
PHONE 63 — WE DELIVER

To the people of Wainwright and District,
We Extend Hearty
SEASON'S GREETINGS

Doris' Beauty Shoppe

BILLING BLOCK — MAKE APPOINTMENTS EARLY — PHONE 150



IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE

Serving you again this past year
Please accept Our Best Wishes
for a

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY
AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Reynolds Garage

DISTRICT DISTRIBUTORS FOR

Dodge and DeSoto Cars

Shown in this photograph is the recently formed National War Labor board. Upon this group will depend, to a large extent, the success of the government's new venture in controlling wages. Seated, from left to right, are Professor Gilbert Jackson, J. McClelland, Chairman Humphrey Mitchell, George Hodge and A. R. Mosher. The three central figures make up the board's executive

PROTECT CHILDREN WHEN CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS

Christmas time being a season of joy, every precaution should be taken to prevent any untoward circumstance which might arise into its celebration.

Too often the careless placing of lighted candles has resulted in painful burns, and even death to those participating in the Yuletide festivities. "Santa Claus" has been the victim in innumerable cases.

Tiny electric lights now are most used in lighting the Christmas tree and that reduces the fire danger materially. If candles are to be used in the decoration—and they undoubtedly lend an effect not to be obtained by the electric lights—they should be placed on the mantel and in other secure locations where contact with their pretty flames is not likely to be made.

In Christmas sports involving the slightest danger, children should be directed in their play by an older person who is competent to effect a rescue if necessary.

SUBSCRIBE TO THE STAR!

CONTINUATION OF GILT EDGE COUNCIL

(Continued from page 1)

an additional \$3000.00 for municipal purposes for 1941 and that the Reeve and Secretary be empowered to sign all papers in connection therewith.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Mills—that By-Law No. 77 being a by-law to sell N.E. 18, 46, 5, 4 to J. Hawryshak be given third reading and finally passed and that the Reeve and Secretary be authorized to sign and deliver all papers in connection therewith.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Sutherland—that F. Grayson be paid \$15.00 per acre for 79 acres of summerfallow on N.E. 18, 46, 5, 4 as this land has been sold; further that from this payment all taxes owing by Mr. Grayson be paid and balance be paid to him.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Sutherland—that the current taxes on N.W. 13, 45, 5, 4 and S.E. 24, 46, 5, 4 be cancelled, under the Soldiers' Relief Act, as the owner F. R. McTurk has joined the Active Service Forces.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Sutherland—that we send a letter to Hon. W. A. Fallick, Minister of Public Works, in appreciation of the work done on the highway east from Wainwright, and also request a continuation of this work next spring.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Knott—that the Secretary answer letter from A. Soutter re Municipal Doctor Scheme and request his Department to pass the copy of Agreement and By-Law to the Department of Health for their consideration.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Sutherland—that G. E. Hough be granted one ton of coal as relief.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Arthur—that the Secretary write O. S. Longman, Field Crops Commissioner re. patch of field bindweed and the attitude of Supervisor Williams in regard thereto.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Mills—that the motion re. charging costs of weeds to lands concerned viz. N.E. 2, 44, 5, 4 be rescinded, and this matter be tabled until further information is available. This action was taken due to a misunderstanding.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Withnell—that the letter from the Lake District Mutual Telephone Company Ltd. be received and ordered read.—Carried.

Moved by Coun. Sutherland—that Fay Sheets amounting to \$267.70 be passed and ordered paid.—Carried.

G. B. McNeen waited on council re.

committed. Standing, from left to right, are A. R. Neilson, secretary; H. Taylor, W. Dunn, J. A. Bell, J. H. Stovel and A. Deschamps. Not shown in this photo is Gerard Picard.

In deep solemnity, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, commander-in-chief of the United States' armed forces, signs the declaration of war against the Japanese Empire. Congress declared war within a half-hour

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GREENSHIELDS

Mr. and Mrs. E. Boyko and young daughter Annie are now in residence here having rented the Tolson house last week.

During the past week Mr. I. Stouffer was in Edmonton on business and journeyed to Lamont to visit his brother who is seriously ill in the hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Jackson and family drove to the city at the week end for a few days holiday.

Miss Stella McIntee is the first student to return from Camrose for the holiday season.

Mr. L. Leduc plans to visit his brother Isaac and family at Vernon B.C. for a few weeks.

Don't forget the War Service League party Dec. 26th in Greenshields Hall.

To all our readers we extend the compliments of the season and our best wishes for a Merry Christmas Day.

GILT EDGE

Quite a crowd from here attended the concert and dance at Battle Creek on Friday last. Everybody certainly enjoyed the concert.

We hear that Mr. Tom Goddard is sick in the hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

At the time of writing it is snowing. Perhaps we'll have a real white Christmas after all.

Here's hoping everybody has a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Sheepskin Flats

The Women's Welfare Club held their monthly meeting last Thursday at the home of Mrs. C. Davis, and after a very enjoyable afternoon, it was plain to see that even the women still enjoy Santa.

Your correspondent wishes our Editor and all our community a Merry Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year.

Private Willkinson is here to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

We are sorry to hear Mr. Alf Rasmussen is again under the weather.

The Christmas Tree concert was a great success and we wish to thank our teacher, Mrs. Johnson, for her efforts to make it so.

WHITE CLOUD

Mrs. L. Tondou was laid up for a few days last week, we are glad you are around again.

Mr. Lou Wallace, Hans Sorenson and Mr. Lou Hedlund have returned from the north where they were working for big game.

We wish to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Veggo on the birth of a baby boy at the municipal hospital.

Mr. Keith Babb and Andrew Blason spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Plaxton.

Our concert and dance turned out well with everyone having a good time.

We understand Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reid are expecting her brother, Norman Taylor, home for a short Christmas leave.

Mr. Alec Veggo is bringing her baby home on Monday.

HEATH

Mr. E. L. B. McLeod, who has been on the sick list for some time, is now around the store again.

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Dixon made the round trip to the city on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mockford are spending their Yuletide holidays with their relatives in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Potvin and family leave this week for the city where they will enjoy the holiday with friends.

Miss Edith McRoberts will holiday with her parents in Irma. She left on Tuesday.

Mr. Jim Ford has planned to spend a couple of weeks holiday with friends and relatives in Manitoba.

Lloyd Davis was a business tripper to the city during the past week.

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PART SEVEN

Chapter 5—The Woman in Black
"Calling Miss Cameron—please!" a neat uniformed page-boy entered the coffee room at the Do Canada that next morning, while the young woman was sitting in a chair, enjoying a long breakfast due to McLoudry's absence on a sudden idea of his own.

"Here, boy," the F.B.I. agent smiled at the youngster, dropping a tip on the silver salver on which he carried a message from the switchboard operator of the hotel.

"Tell the operator I'll take the call in my room in a few minutes," the young woman instructed the page-boy, following up the message and going upstairs immediately.

"Is that Miss Cameron?" the operator inquired, when Marion picked up the receiver in her room.

"This is Miss Cameron speaking," "Ready with Washington," the girl instructed. "Go ahead, please!"

"Is that you, Marion?" the assistant-director of the F.B.I. finally answered her impatient and repeated, "Hello!"

"Oh, hello, Uncle!" Marion gave the code reply of identification she always used in telephone conversations with her chief. "I didn't expect to hear from you until tonight."

"I understand that," the other replied, "that it so happens that your cousin in New York was able to locate Jeanne through a friend last night. I'm sending the photographs you wanted and full details of the funeral by air-mail at once. How do you like New Orleans?"

"Lovely place, and most interesting," Marion advised him by the accented 'most' that some progress had also been made at their end of operations. "I'll write you a long letter to-night, good-bye!"

"Good-bye, and take care of yourself," the chief answered, hanging up the receiver with a sharp click as he realized that Miss Cameron had nothing further to say.

"So Madam Adeline first name is Jeanne—is it?" the girl commented to herself, well aware of the double-meaning to the words "your cousin," "Jeanne" and "funeral" in the otherwise innocent conversation with the man at Washington, suddenly looking up from a note she had scribbled on the back of the envelope and hiding the person, knocking at her door to "Come in!"

"So you've managed to get up, I see," McLoudry, for it was he, smiled at his associate as he entered the room.

"I've just been talking to Washington, and I've also had my breakfast," Marion retorted promptly. "The idea of suggesting that I've just got up!"

THREE CELEBRATIONS

THREE CHRISTMASSES are celebrated every year in the Church of St. Mary at St. John's. The first occurs in the Roman Catholic section on December 25; 13 days later the Greek Orthodox church hold their celebrations, to be followed by those of the Armenian church in another 13 days.

I'll have you know, sir, that we have revealed in our service, as well as in yours."

"I'm so sorry," Larry grimaced, occupying a chair and spreading his long legs straight out in front of him. "I thought perhaps the powers that be made an exception in your case, especially when you worked overtime, like last night—for instance?"

"My schedule of duty," she reproved him demurely, "is from sunrise to sunrise, for a good operator never sleeps on the trail—at least that's what they teach us in the F.B.I."

"Just like a woman," came the laughing retort, "dragging in the old one about 'man works from sun to sun—but woman's work is never done'."

"Well, isn't it true? Looking after an overgrown schoolboy is a twenty-four hour job—am I right?"

"Far be it from me to engage in even a verbal battle with a girl as attractive as yourself," Larry gave vent to a subdued chuckle in his throat.

"Thank you," Marion accepted the compliment with a gracious nod of her head. "But how did you make out while I was busy on the wire? Anything in that bunch of yours?"

"I found out where the waiter lived, all right, but he packed up after returning from his duties at the cabaret last night, and departed for parts unknown."

"The woman were looking for is called Jeanne," Marion passed the Sergeant's note with a triumphant little flourish. "The chief is sending a photograph and details of what they have learned about her by air-mail."

"Splendid!" Larry exclaimed. "Gee, your people work fast when they're on to anything, don't they? I wonder how they found out that much so quickly!"

"That 'cousin of mine,' which refers to one of our operators in New York, of course, seems to have obtained some information through a friend last night. Probably a looking agent our operator knew well enough to reach privately, and it

happened to be the right one. The reference to 'funeral' means that Madam Adeline's record is in the 'Hogues Gallery.' Her picture is probably from the 'mogues'."

"That's the likely answer," McLoudry agreed. "Looks like there isn't much we can do, either, until your chief's letter arrives."

"Not very much, I guess. As soon as we have her picture and some additional information, we can call on the local police and see if they have anything which will help us here onwards."

"In the meantime," the Sergeant suggested, rising and stretching to his full height, "suppose we go for a drive around the town and take in the sights. I'm beginning to enjoy the 'sunny southland,' and as we're nothing else to do—how about it?"

"If you think my company will compete with the 'sunny southland,' Marion threw him a tantalizing glance from her clear blue eyes, "by all means."

"That's the sunny part of it!" the witty Canadian retorted, secretly enjoying the answer, "Oh!" which the following comeback drew from his mask associate as they walked along the corridor on their way to the car outside.

"Let's go upstairs and digest the contents," Marion suggested to McLoudry on their return from a tour of the city, referring to an air-mail waiting at the desk when they entered the hotel.

"Okay. It will be more private," Larry agreed.

"There's the lady's picture!" Marion passed a photograph over she had opened the letter in her room. "Rather a handsome and attractive-looking woman—am I right?"

"Very much so, in her own quiet way," the Sergeant commented, examining the picture very carefully for any characteristics which might help them to identify the original.

"She's wearing earrings in this photograph, too, although whether they are the green jade pair mentioned in the chamber-maid at the Splendide, it's impossible to say. It's a good photograph, though—evidently a professional these theatrical people have taken for distribution to the booking agencies. It's not a 'mogues' picture, anyway, that much is obvious at a glance."

"Yes, I'm inclined to agree with you," Marion studied the picture in turn, adding quietly a few comments later. "There is another peculiarity about the subject which will bear keeping in mind, besides her fondness for earrings."

"What is that?"

"She doesn't pluck her eyebrows,"

at least she didn't when this picture was taken."

"Holy smoke! I didn't notice that!" McLoudry reached for the picture again. "That's your right. They're perfectly natural! No artificial trimming at all!"

"Being a man," came a ripple of amused laughter, "you wouldn't!"

"Okay," the other swallowed his doubts at overlooking such an important detail, "but it wasn't your feminine intuition which picked out that little flaw in the 'mogues' make-up, if you call it a flaw! That was your cat's eyes working at double pressure where another woman is concerned."

"Suppose it was," the astute young woman was secretly enjoying her score over her comrade in the hunt.

"What difference does it make? We're interested in the end—and not the means—aren't we? Isn't that why I'm here?"

"You will!" the Sergeant admitted defeat like a good sportsman should. "I guess the woman assistant is proving more important than I thought she would, when your chief assigned a petticoat as my partner on this case."

"You mean I suffered a handicap when the department tied a small boy to my apron strings—don't you?" she managed to have the last word in between scanning a typewritten report which had been included with the photograph.

"Have they managed to dig up much that we don't know—outside of the fact that her first name is Jeanne?" Larry questioned when Marion had finished reading the report.

"Fifty!" the F.B.I. operator got up from the edge of the bed on which she had been sitting while she read the letter. "You can check it for yourself while I wash and tidy up for dinner. I won't be very long, handing him the report and leaving the Sergeant alone for a few moments."

The following is the report of the depot at Washington on Madam Adeline, "Case No. 32785. Operator Cameron, assigned to the case in collaboration with Sgt. McLoudry, of the R.C.M.P., Canada. Deported to New Orleans, July 19th, 1941, by authority of D.B.M. King, Jeanne; born Mexico City, August 25th, 1912. Father, Swiss engineer; mother, Spanish dancer. Educated public schools Louisiana until 15, when she returned to Mexico City and remained there until November, 1932. Married a German chemist in El Paso on July 6th, 1934, arrested by Mexican police for political activities in 1935, but escaped imprisonment on plea of acting under coercion of her German husband who was not apprehended. Sentence suspended and she later appeared in the United States as a dancer in cabaret shows playing the principal roles from coast to coast until her activities as a member of a subversive organization resulted in her deportation from the U.S. in 1940. Acted under her married name of von Lutz prior to her deportation and has not been heard of since."

"Her husband, von Lutz, is a desperate character. Nothing much known about him except that he is believed to be an ex-officer of the old Imperial German Army. Adeline is his wife's mother's maiden name, and is apparently being used by the Kon-

ig woman in lieu of her own or married name. Might be located traveling or passing under any one of them, or even using another surname altogether. Not considered a dangerous character, but clever, astute, and extremely unscrupulous. As far as is known, she has never followed any other profession but that of cabaret performer. Likely places to check, therefore, are night clubs, or backstage shows of the type which go in for 'glamour' productions. That is all."

(To be continued)

PEACOCK DINNER ENGLISH
CUSTOM MANY YEARS AGO

Fashions in Christmas dinners come and go. In olden days at a Christmas feast, in England, next in importance to the host's head as a Christmas dinner was the peacock. To prepare the bird for the table was a task entailing no little trouble. The skin was first carefully stripped off with the plumage adhering. The bird was then roasted; when done and partially cooled it was sewed up again in its feathers, its beak painted with gilt and so sent to the table. Sometimes the whole body was covered with lent gold and a piece of cotton saturated with spirits placed in its beak and lighted before the carver commenced operations. This food for lovers and meat for lords was stuffed with spices and served with plenty of gravy.

The noble bird was not served by common hands; that privilege was reserved for the lady guests most distinguished by birth or beauty. One of them carried it to the dining hall to the sounds of music, the rest of the ladies following in due order. The dish was set down before the master of the house or his most honored guest. The latest instance of peacock eating recorded was at a dinner given to William IV. by day the tide of Clarence, by the Governor of Grenada.

THE CHRISTMAS CAROLERS
ARE WELCOME EVERYWHERE

Here come the Carolers. So it used to be. Young faces pressed against the window panes, straining to hear the cheerful carols outside. Perhaps it was the story of the Christ child put to tune or a ballad of love and cheer. When the stars were down the householder invited them in for a bite and a sup or gave them a coin or two for their song. Then on to the next house, to sing

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And then, in the early morning, home again to their own friends.

It was a good old custom, this midnight mincepie in the season of peace and goodwill. "With the beginning of Yuletide twelve days before Christmas Day, as Percival Chubb tells us in the Standard, published in New York by the American Ethics Union, 'small bands of musicians went the rounds and in the mire or on the road or on the steps, played the old folk tunes as a typical prelude to the great day. To some of the antique ballad airs, like 'Good King Wenceslaus,' says Mr. Chubb, the singers would add a hymn tune or two—'Once in Davids Royal City; or 'Hark, the Herald Angels Sing.' Punctuating the bustle of domestic preparation for the coming feast, these ministrations in the still night gave a breath of poetry that touched the spirit of Christmas with an endearing beauty. Day by day the tide of joyous anticipation rose until the crescendo broke into a forth of exuberance."

Those simple days of the folk are gone, says Mr. Chubb; the folk are departed.

But the custom of making the rounds on Christmas eve to sing carols of peace and good will on earth still prevails here and there.

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SHORT SHORT STORY

"MIDNIGHT VISITORS"

Of course, I'm not afraid," said Peggy. "I'd much rather stay home than go over to the Petersons. It's a fine time all by my lonesome."

"There's nothing that could possibly harm you," Mrs. Dill replied, "but somehow I feel that you ought to stay in the house alone until midnight."

"Oh, now, Mummy!" cried Peggy. "don't go and worry about me. I'll lock up tight and won't open the door for anybody unless I see the person's paw first."

"Well, phone us if you get scared," her mother requested, "you know the number."

Rather reluctantly and with many an anxious look behind Mrs. Dill drove off with Papa Dill, leaving Peggy in the doorway, waving her hand. The glow from the late afternoon sun fell on the child's fair curls which framed her sweet and happy face. The mother was almost tempted to turn back before they reached the corner.

"I mustn't be silly and make a baby of her," she thought, as the car sped along. "Peggy has a lot of horse sense."

And Peggy bustling around the quiet house sang to keep her company, thinking: "Mummy's a peach but it strikes me as rather queer that she should worry about me — at my age — as if I were a baby!"

She locked the house up tighter than it had ever been locked before, seemed to her, but when she came at last to the kitchen door and put out her head no Fluffy was waiting there. Now Fluffy was her special pet and she never let him stay out at night "to associate with rough cats."

Here Fluffy, Fluffy, Fluffy, Fluffy! she called, looking sharply at the grass and along the dark hedge. But there came no answering mew or light rush of soft feet. The little mistress called and called until her tongue got twisted, then she went in and got a fork and plate and made a noise like beating eggs which usually fetched the greedy Fluffy who believed in being on hand when there was any cooking going on. But even this strategy failed.

It was growing dark and Peggy finally had to lock the back door and go up to bed.

"Of course, I have to have air," she said, stretching up to the window, she said, after looking up the other bedroom windows. "I guess I'll keep this window open for Fluffy."

There was a tinkle for the rose vine just by the window in which the rose was wont to ascend and descend as it was an easy bounce to the window.

Peggy's nerves were good and she was sleepy so it was not more than a minute after her head had touched the pillow before she was sound asleep. It seemed she had been asleep only a minute when a sound awoke her. For awhile she lay listening then suddenly she remembered she was all alone in the house. At the same time the sound that had awakened her came again.

"Fluffy!" she called softly. A muffled sound was the reply. Peggy's heart beat fast. It wasn't Fluffy's voice at all! It sounded to Peggy's startled ear like a poor imitation of a cat's call. She lay very still her big eyes fixed on the window. Suppose it was a burglar! Or a wild animal; perhaps a tiger escaped from a zoo!

Fluffy's tread was as light as "blown petals on the grass," but now the tread was creaking and swaying and crashing. As the sound came near, she jumped quietly from her bed but just then something bounced into the window and she recognized her pet. He had something in his mouth.

Her finger groped along the wall and in another second she had pressed the electric button and the room was full of light. There on the rug stood Fluffy with a large grayish-brown object in his mouth. Peggy came and looked close. It was a small screech owl. It lay quite still with closed eyes.

"Poor little!" cried the compassionate Peggy. "Naughty Fluffy see

EXCUSABLE FOLLY

IT IS TRUE that men and women at Christmas time do things which are foolish, especially in the giving of presents. But when did cold wisdom ever make people happy? Who wants to see a Christmas when nobody spends more than he should, or when there is no giving of things that are trivial or needless or foolish? A truly nice Christmas would be a miserable one.

What you've done; killed a nice little owl! Oh, well, he's dead now and out of misery. My, what pretty feathers! Come to think, they'd look rather classy on my brown hat. Here, Fluffy, good kitty, give me the little owl. That's right. Nice pussy, brought Peggy a pretty present, didn't he? Tomorrow—you wait now! there'll be a nice bit of chicken for somebody, see if there isn't!"

She took up the owl and smoothed the crumpled feathers—they were very pretty and promised to make quite a military triumph out of the old brown hat. Peggy carried it to her dresser intending to lay it in one of the drawers so Fluffy, who might turn Indian giver could be free from temptation.

Just as she was about to put it down, the bundle of feathers came alive in a flash; oh, terribly alive! The eyes opened wide, the wings spread out and the little curved beak struck wildly at Peggy's breast and fastened itself in front of her night dress.

Well, this was a little too much for Peggy! She could face burglars and wild animals with coolness, so she said, but a dead owl suddenly coming to life in that horrid way like a jack-in-the-box, and sticking itself to the front of one's gown was too much. The owl must have felt at home for the next few minutes, as it was a screech owl and if anybody did screech and scream Peggy was that one.

In fact, she was still at it and doing a wild fandango on the rug, a performance which caused Fluffy to have grave misgivings about his mistress's sanity, when in rushed Mr. and Mrs. Dill.

Something wiggly and scratchy and flapping held the owl in the ruff under Mrs. Dill's chin and held on. "Take it away!" gasped the startled lady. "Help, help!"

Papa Dill knocked off Mr. Owl, who fluttered aimlessly around the room looking rather as if he were defying anybody to put him on a brown hat while Fluffy, afraid to venture from his retreat under the bed, looked on with twitching whiskers.

"I worried about you, Peggy, dear!" explained Mrs. Dill. "My father-in-law brought me a very Grandmother is much better anyway and I thought something might scare you."

And Peggy, laughing and quaking, hid her face in her mother's shoulder quite willing to be laughed.

"There he goes!" cried Mr. Dill, as the owl flapped clumsily out into the night, leaving a happy family and an indignant cat behind.

GREAT YULE FEAST GIVEN
BY KING RICHARD IN 1399

Christmas in England, of course, is an old feast day, though the Santa Claus and Christmas tree traditions come to us from much newer sources. William E. Meade's "The English Medieval Feast" (Houghton, Mifflin) quotes from Blot's "Survey of London," an account of the great feast which King Richard gave in Westminster Hall in the year 1399, just after rebuilding the hall of William Rufus:

"A most royal Christmas, with daily joustings and runnings at tilt, where unto resorted such a number of people that there every day spied 28 or 29 oxen, and 300 sheep, besides fowl without number; he caused a gown for himself to be made of gold, garnished with pearl and precious stones, to the value of 5,000 marks; he was guarded by Cheshire men and had about him commonly 13 bishops, besides barons, knights, squire, and others more than needed, inasmuch that to the household came every day to meet 10,000 people, as appeared by the meases told out from the kitchen to 300 servants."

"A MERRY CHRISTMAS" AS
OTHER NATIONS SAY IT

This is how the nations of the world express the wish: "A Merry Christmas": France, Bon Noel; China, Tin Hao Nian; Portugal, Boas Festas; Japan, Kings Shimezu; Turkey, Ichok Yilari; Hungary, Boldog Karacsony! Unipetok; Greece, Chrysoyena; Croatia, Svetan Bosis; Holland, Een Vrolijk Kerstma; Spain, Felices Pascuas; Germany, Frohliche Weihnachten; Sweden, Glad Julen; Italy, Felice Natale; Rumania, Craciun Fecelitate; Bohemia, Ve selo Vanoce; Poland, Wesolych Swiat; Denmark, Gledelig Jul.

MAKE CHRISTMAS BURDEN
BE UNHAPPY BEST OF YEAR

It is so customary nowadays to hear disparagement of Christmas as a season of vanity, selfish display, greed and covetousness that we like to point out the other side. Some of our cynics declare that Christmas gifts are themselves dictated by self-interest—that they are merely offered in the hope of a return—interest—or are an exhibition of vanity. And yet who would dare to say this of a mother, who deprives her sons to give happiness to her children, or of the girl who willingly foregoes some little vanity for the pleasure of her parents? People who make Christmas a burden and a tax show the same attitude throughout the year—their own false standards of living are to blame, and not this holy festival.

GHOSTLY CHRISTMAS BELLS
TO GREET MERRY YULETIDE

Amongst the bells which will ring out to greet the coming Yuletide will be many ghostly peals, heard on no other night in the year; for tradition says that the bells of all buried churches join the chorus every Christmas eve.

There are the bells of Raleigh, once a prosperous village in Nottinghamshire, now only a country valley. All sign of habitation was swallowed up many years ago by an earthquake. It is said that every Christmas eve the bells of the old church are heard to ring again. A legend of this kind is told of a country church near Preston the very name of which nobody knows.

In Holland the story of the city of Breda is told every Christmas. This wonderful place was noted for its magnificence and beauty, and also for its wickedness and shamelessness. One day the whole city was swallowed up by the sea.

The submerged bells of Dunwich, now covered by the sea, are said to join the ghostly chorus.

WREATHS, GARLANDS GAY
SHOUT "MERRY CHRISTMAS"

What a joy it is to come into a home scented with spicy pine and hemlock, so suggestive of Yuletide that such room fairy should "Merry Christmas!" And what a real pleasure, too, to gather the greens and dispose them so they express all the kindness of the blessed season, intensifying the delights of the friendliest period of the year!

As garlands, the various types of greens may decorate windows and doors, or they may be massed on mantels or tables.

To make a flexible rope of greenery, supply a foundation of heavy twine and to this attach the short sprays of pine hemlock or spruce interspersed regularly with clusters of laurel; or for a more decorative effect use the artificial berries with the greens. Fine flexible wire is best for fastening the sprays in place.

Another use for greens is in the formation of window wreaths. Arrange the small sprays on a heavy wire foundation, taking care to keep the wreath symmetrical. Small groups of red berries, regularly placed, give character to such decoration.

Happy is the woman who received a cash Christmas present, because she will have a lot of fun at the January sale counters.

"CHRISTMAS MAN," NAME
GIVEN TO KIMS KRINGLE

Santa Claus does not visit the children of Lithuania on Christmas eve as he does the children in this country, but there are all kinds of Christmas celebrations in which they take part, and many good things to eat. In Germany and Norway old Kims Kringle hides gifts in many out of the way places, and Christmas day is spent chiefly in hunting for them. In Holland Saint Nicholas dispensed Christmas cheer, but when the Hollanders came to this country, his name was changed to Santa Claus. In Sweden Santa Claus is much like he is in America, but he does not come down the chimney, but in the night he comes into the room where the Christmas tree is and leaves gifts for all. His name is not Santa Claus, however, for he is called "The Christmas Man."

CELEBRATED CHRISTMAS
ON WAY TO NORTH POLE

Captain Scott and his men on their way to the Pole once celebrated Christmas day by having a wash in a cupful of water each, and by washing their shirts. On another occasion after being on short rations they kept Christmas day by consuming such luxuries as raisins and chocolates for breakfast, and for supper they indulged in four courses. First of all, there was a full whack of pemmican, with slices of horse meat flavored with onion and curry powder and thickened with blacuit, then arrowroot, cocoa and blacuit hoosh sweetened with plum pudding, then dessert of caramels and ginger. "After all this," says Scott, "it was difficult to move. Wilson and I couldn't finish our share of the plum pudding. We felt thoroughly warm and slept splendidly." But the advance was slow the following day owing, probably, to the tightening of the night before.

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NEWS & VIEWS OF TOWN AND DISTRICT

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Archibald, of Irma, at the Wainwright municipal hospital on December 17th, a boy.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Wender, of Wainwright, at the Wainwright municipal hospital on December 21st, a boy.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. G. Leduc, of Fabyan, at the Wainwright municipal hospital on December 23rd a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clark are planning to spend the Christmas holiday with their daughter in the city.

Jack Perkins, Amos Church, and Winnie Jackson are all home from their studies at Camrose.

Misses Isabelle Mackenzie and Glenn Brunker were in the city at the week end to see the sights.

After a very long spell in hospital, Mr. O. R. Hannah has now recovered sufficiently to return to his home on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sharp are here from Elk Island for the holiday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Treffry.

Following the close of the Town Council meeting last week, the Council were all entertained to supper by His Worship and Mrs. Middlemas.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Chas. Horn is still on the sick list, and wish him better health.

Sympathies to A. S. McElliott, who is a patient in a hospital in the city.

Mr. Geo. Long was in town from Biggar over the week end.

Rev. Father Ebbmann was a tripper to the city over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Paton are here from Wetaskiwin to spend the holiday with their son, Roger, in town.

Readers should note that the tickets at the post office will be open on Christmas Day and New Year's Day between the hours of 12 noon and 1 p.m. only. The mails will be sorted as usual from both east and west, and box holders will be able to get mail till 7 p.m.

The school children are now all released from studies until Monday, January 6th, 1942.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Smith have their sons home from varsity for the Christmas vacation.

Miss C. Brunker is to spend the Christmas holiday with her parents in town.

Miss E. Hart is home from the city with her parents for the Christmas holidays.

Miss A. Fleming left for Gadsby on Saturday to enjoy the holiday with her parents there.

Dr. and Mrs. Wallace have the company of their son Beatty for the holiday. He arrived home from varsity last week end.

A number of their friends bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. K. Hutchison last week at a party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. Tory.

HOUSEWIVES: Don't bother about melting snow all winter—that takes fuel! Let Ivan the waterman keep you supplied regularly each week with good soft water. Just phone 166, he'll call.

Mrs. H. C. Wallace spent a couple of days with friends in Edmonton last week.

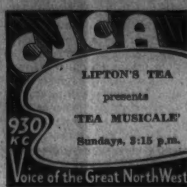
Mr. Lou Tory was a business tripper to the city last week to obtain three new tractors which he has sold recently.

Rev. Mr. Watts is around again, following a spell on the sick list last week.

COMING EVENTS

HOLIDAY FROLIC. Come and enjoy yourselves at the big Holiday Frolic which is being arranged for Thursday, December 25th (Xmas Day) in the Masonic Hall. Good music and real good time for all. 24-12

Make your arrangements NOW to attend the big New Year's Eve Ball in the Separate School auditorium on Wednesday, December 31, commencing at 8 p.m. This will be under the auspices of the ladies of Blessed Sacrament parish, who extend a cordial invitation to all. Good music; good lunch. Admission 50 cents each. Happy New Year to all.



KING GEORGE TO BROADCAST CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO EMPIRE—DEC. 25TH

Although his empire is still at war His Majesty King George VI will broadcast a message to the world on Christmas Day. It will be on the air from CICA at 7:00 a.m. (MST).

Sunday last was the official opening of the winter. This being the shortest day of sunshine for 1941.

Tom Cardell is here to spend his varsity holidays with his parents in town.

Mr. Jim Wyllie is here from Lussac to spend the holiday with his family in town.

Mr. Cliff Reynolds was a business tripper to the city last week end.

The War Service League wishes to announce the winners of the raffle conducted during the "Wainwright Days".

First: Knitted Cape—Mr. Eddy Westbury.

Second: Cushion—Miss Hazel Stuart.

Third: Handbag—Mrs. Kenn Tory.

The members thank everyone who thus helped to send a "bit of Christmas" to our boys of the services (both overseas and in Canada).

Thank you, and a Merry Christmas to all.

SHEPHERDS AND WISE MEN

It is not clear from the Scriptural allusions that the shepherds who visited the new-born Jesus were the same as the wise men who saw his star in the East. Only Matthew records the story of the magi, and only Luke mentions the shepherds. Mark and John do not refer to either the shepherds or the wise men.

Housewives—Plan your shopping early, as the stores will all be closed on both Christmas and Boxing Days—Thursday and Friday next.



The Executive of the Wainwright and District Branch of the Canadian Red Cross have almost completed a year which has been made successful by the co-operation and support of a splendid corps of workers, and they take this opportunity of expressing their appreciation to these co-workers, and of wishing them each and all a happy Christmas. The same spirit which animates everyone at Christmas time is expressed all the year round by the Red Cross, the spirit of love in action. The war has extended over practically the whole world. This may be the year of crisis. Let each of us prepare to work and give as never before. Let 1942 see everyone eager to do all we can in our own sphere of service.

Be sure you are a paid-up member of the Red Cross for 1942, in time to vote at the Annual Meeting to be held Monday, January 20th, at 8 p.m.

In the campaign for funds for medical supplies for Russia, we are pleased to note that the Hope Valley Sports Club have obtained a permit to hold a dance in the Rensselaire Hall on New Year's Eve.

We gratefully acknowledge receipt of the following amounts:
Gilt Edge Welfare Club (Blankets for Britain) \$4.00.
Mr. H. Smart (medical supplies for Russia) \$1.00.

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